

Motor Vehicle Ownership Transfer: **DEATH OF OWNER(S)**

City and County of Honolulu • Department of Customer Services

Directions for transferring ownership upon the death of owner(s):

If the **vehicle is jointly owned**, the survivor may transfer ownership:

Certificate of Title FRONT: Section A

- Fill in the odometer reading for vehicles that are 10 years or less; vehicles 11 years or older are not required to have the odometer reading.
- Date, print and sign your name (the surviving owner).

Certificate of Title BACK: Section D

- Complete the Application for transfer by new registered owner in Section D.

Bring the following to a satellite city hall to transfer the vehicle title:

- Certificate of Title that is properly endorsed in sections A and D as noted above.
- Last-issued Certificate of Registration.
- Current state of Hawaii Safety Inspection Certificate.
- A state-certified copy of the decedent's official death certificate.
 - *Photocopies are not acceptable.*

Transfer fees:

- Motor vehicle ownership title transfer fee is \$10.
- If the last-issued Certificate of Registration has expired or will expire within 45 days, you will also be required to pay the annual registration renewal.
 - If the vehicle registration is delinquent, you will be assessed for all delinquent taxes for prior years that the vehicle has not been legally registered.
 - The total required fees and taxes will be determined by the satellite city hall when you present all required documents.

Vehicle ownership transfer is not an Express Window transaction. Although not required, an appointment is recommended for this service. Make an appointment online at [AlohaQ.org](https://aloha.hawaii.gov).

If the **vehicle is registered only in the name of the decedent**, download and print the [Affidavit for Collection of Personal Property of the Decedent](#) form, and call (808)768-4324 or go to a satellite city hall for guidance on transferring ownership.
